



NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 2ND
2026



Upcoming Dates:

Friday 9th October

World Mental Health Day- wear something comfy £1 donation

Thursday 15th September

year 2 trip to RAF museum

Thursday 22nd October

Scaries & faries disco

Monday 26th - Friday 30th October-

Half term

Monday 2nd November

Harvest Hamper Competition Week

Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th
November

parents evening

Thursday 12th November

School photos

Friday 13th November

Children in Need- dress up day

Monday 16th November

Anti- Bullying Week

Message from Summerswood

This week, once again, our school was full of parents and family members as we welcomed you into school for our Maths Workshops. The feedback from staff, parents and pupils has been overwhelmingly positive, with everyone agreeing that the sessions were a great success. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported these events. We are already looking forward to welcoming you back next half term for our English Workshops. Keep an eye out for further communication from Miss Hylton, our English Lead, with all the details.

Year 5 thoroughly enjoyed their recent trip to Aldenham and represented our school brilliantly throughout the visit. Their excellent behaviour, enthusiasm and engagement were a real credit to themselves, their families and our school community. Meanwhile, Year 2 are eagerly looking forward to their upcoming trip to the RAF Museum, which promises to be another exciting learning experience.

Finally, a huge thank you to the parents and families who supported the school by attending our recent Quiz Night. From all accounts, it was a fantastic evening filled with plenty of fun, laughter and healthy competition. We are incredibly grateful for your continued support of our school.

Miss Mitchell

My name is
Biscuit!



ATTENDANCE

Whole school attendance: 95%

EYFS Peter Pan	1A	1D	2A	2J	3/4Q
94.8%	97.8%	90%	98.2%	92.5%	93.8%
3/4R	3/4W	5B	5S	6M	6O
94.8%	95.2%	96.9%	97.6%	96.9%	96.8%

Biscuit will visit all the classes that achieve 97% or above.
Classes with 100% will get an extra 5 minutes playtime!

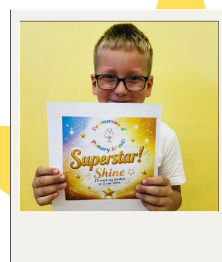
PATHWAY TO SUCCESS

This week, our Pathway to Success objective was: We are learning to move safely and sensibly around school.

We talked about how we can keep ourselves and others safe as we move around the school building. Children thought about the importance of walking calmly, being aware of those around us.

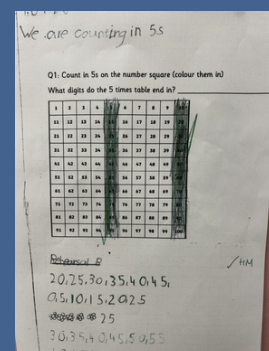
We also discussed what we need to do if we hear the fire alarm. We talked about the importance of leaving the building calmly and safely, following instructions from adults and going to our designated assembly point.





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PERFECT PRESENTERS



Well done to this week's presentation award winners.

This week, there was a lot of recognition of pupils taking care over thier maths work, especially keeping one digit per box.

In writing, children were recognised for using 'colour popping' effectively to make sure their sentences are punctuated correctly.
Well done!

WORLD MENTAL HEALTH DAY

On Friday 9th October we are inviting children to wear their comfy clothes for World Mental Health Day .
We want them to be physically and mentally comfortable for the day on the inside and the outside . In exchange we are asking for a donation of £1 which will go towards resources to support the wellbeing of our pupils.

Our theme this year for world Mental Health day is

‘We can share our stories about our mental health, listen with care to each other and understand how speaking up can make things better.’

Lived Experiences Heard: Real Voices, Real Change

A Quiz Night That Was Out of This World!

A HUGE thank you to everyone who joined us for the Friends of Summerswood Quiz Night! Together, we raised a fantastic £145 for our school.

It was a fun-filled evening that certainly got our brains ticking! The music round, with its Space-themed twist, was a particular hit and had everyone reaching for the answers. 🎵

Missed out this time? Don't worry! Our next Quiz Night will be launching in the New Year, and we'd love to see even more of you there.



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SUMMERSWOOD SCARIES & FAIRIES DISCO

THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER

★ **EARLY YEARS & ACORNS & OAKS DISCO** ★
2.30pm – 3.00pm

Children can come to school dressed in their party clothes.

Collection as normal from the classroom doors.

£1 donation includes a packet of crisps and a carton of drink.

★ **YEARS 1, 2, 3 & 4 DISCO** ★

3.15pm – 4.15pm | £3.50 per child

Tickets payable via School Gateway.

Bring party clothes in a named bag to change into at the end of the school day.

Price includes a packet of crisps and a carton of drink.

Bring change for the tuck shop.

★ **YEARS 5 & 6 DISCO** ★

4.30pm – 5.45pm | £3 per child

Tickets payable via School Gateway.

Entrance via school office. No phones permitted.

Bring change for the tuck shop, novelties and hot dogs.

★ **Prizes for the best fancy dress
from each disco!** ★

≡ **Costumes welcome!** ≡

Friends of SUMMERSWOOD PTFA



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We warmly invite parents, carers, PTFA members and school staff to join us for our Annual General Meeting.

Tuesday
13th
October



5.00pm –
6.00pm



Summerswood
Primary School –
School Hall

What will we discuss?



- ★ A look back at the PTFA's fundraising and activities over the past year
- ★ Our plans and ideas for the year ahead
- ★ Presentation of the annual accounts
- ★ Election/re-election of PTFA committee members
- ★ Any other business and ideas from our school community

Whether you are already involved with the PTFA or would simply like to find out more,

we'd love to see you there!



Everyone is welcome –
parents, carers, grandparents,
staff and volunteers of the school.

Anyone wishing
to make a difference
to our school.



If you would like to raise a matter for discussion or put yourself forward for a committee role, please let us know in advance.

Please email:



Friends@summerswood.herts.sch.uk
and



Mrs Brown

V.brown@summerswood.herts.sch.uk

Together we can make a brighter future for our children!

Autumn Term Workshops

Anxiety around ADHD Workshop - Wednesday 21 October, 9.30am to 11.30am

This workshop helps parents/carers understand what ADHD is, why it makes sense for a child to be anxious if they have ADHD, strategies to help support you and your child, plus signposting to other support that is available.

Sibling Rivalry Workshop - Monday 9 November, 9.30am to 11.30am

This workshop provides parents/carers with practical strategies and tools to effectively foster positive sibling relationships, promote cooperation and manage conflicts between children.

Reducing Conflict Workshop - Wednesday 25 November, 7pm to 9pm

This workshop is for parents/carers struggling with conflict within their family life and provides tools to promote a cooperative and collaborative approach to resolving the conflict.

It's a Dad's Life Workshop - Thursday 26 November, 7pm to 9pm

This workshop empower fathers with the knowledge and skills to develop deep connections with their children, enhancing their parenting journey.

Navigating the Storm (Teens) Workshop - Wednesday 2 December, 9.30am to 11.30am

This workshop is designed to support parents of pre-teens and teenagers facing challenging behaviours. It aims to equip parents with effective strategies and tools to manage the complexities of raising adolescents, fostering a positive parent-teen relationship

The two-hour workshops will be online via MS TEAMS

All our programmes provide support, information and resources to parents, carers and adult family members in Hertfordshire so they can help their children reach their full potential. For more info, please contact **Louise** on **0204 522 8700/8701** or email **services@coramfamilylives.org.uk** or scan the QR code for our online form.



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